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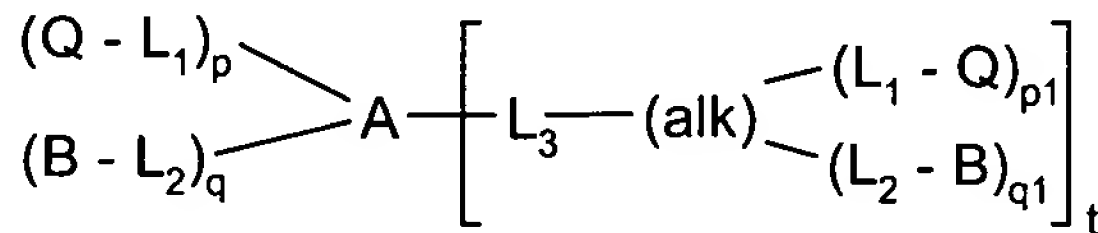
Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I, i.e., claims 1-12.

Amendment

Please cancel non-elected claims of Group II and Group III, i.e., claims 13-14 and claims 15-17 without prejudice.

L Please amend the claims 1, 7, 9, 10 and 11 as follows:

1. (once amended) An amphiphilic block copolymer of formula



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